

Gen. Von Kluck Making a Determined Stand Against the Allies; Russians Claim a Decisive Victory Over the Germans in East Prussia

PENSACOLA WEATHER

Unsettled weather Tuesday, possibly with showers. Highest, 76 degrees; lowest, 69 degrees.

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GERMANS REINFORCED FRENCH FALLING BACK AT SOME POINTS ALONG LINE

RUSSIANS DEFEAT THE GERMANS IN A MOST DECISIVE MANNER IN GREAT BATTLE STAGED IN EAST PRUSSIA.

GERMANS ARE COMPLETELY ROUTED WITH LOSS SEVENTY THOUSAND MEN

THIS VICTORY, IF AS COMPLETE AS CLAIMED BY THE RUSSIANS, IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE LATTER, AS IT WILL PREVENT THE GERMANS UNDERTAKING LAND AND SEA OPERATIONS—PEASANTS FLEEING BEFORE THE RUSSIAN ADVANCE IN GALICIA.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

London, October 5.—General Von Kluck, reinforced with troops from the German center, continues a determined stand against the allies' attempt to outflank him. The French, who yesterday reported that the German attacks in this region had been repulsed and that the allies had resumed the offensive, announced today that the battle north of the Oise continues with violence. It is declared no decisive results have occurred, but the French, at certain points, had to fall back. The German report last night said the battle is proceeding successfully for them.

A DECISIVE RUSSIAN VICTORY.

The defeat of the German army invading Russia from East Prussia appears, from the Russian accounts, has been more decisive than previously stated. According to the Russian ambassador at Rome, the Germans were routed completely, with a loss of seventy thousand men. The Russians are moving forward with the object of again invading East Prussia. This victory, if it is as complete as reported, is of the greatest importance to the Russians, as it will prevent the Germans undertaking land and sea operations, which would have compelled Russia to turn at least a portion of its attention in this direction.

The peasants are fleeing before the Russian advance in Galicia, and it is reported that twenty thousand of them have reached Bohemia. The Vienna sanitary department reports four cases of Asiatic cholera have occurred among the troops returning from Galicia, but all have been isolated.

At Antwerp the official report says the situation in the fortified positions remains unchanged.

Fighting continues in the near East and the Anglo-French fleet has destroyed Lustica, the outer defence of the Austrian seaport of Cattaro.

While the Servians and Montenegrins are attacking the Sarajevo fortifications, Belgrade has not been bombarded in several days, probably as a result of the Servians reoccupying Semlin.

PORTUGUESE MINISTER DECLARES HIS COUNTRY WILL HELP THE ALLIES

Washington, October 5.—No confirmation of today's Berlin report that Portugal is preparing to join the allies, was received by the Portuguese legation here. Viscount De Alto, the Portuguese minister, said his country is prepared to join whenever Great Britain called upon her to do so. There is a treaty of long standing between the two countries, providing for mutual protection. This was reaffirmed at the outbreak of the present war, he said, and that action was ratified by the Portuguese cabinet on September 28.

PARIS OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT SAYS GENERAL SITUATION IS SATISFACTORY.

Paris, October 5.—The official announcement tonight declared the general situation is stationary. On the left the action continues. In the Argonne region and Meuse heights, the allies have repulsed night and day attacks.

BRITISH SHIPS ARRIVE TO TRANSPORT PORTUGUESE

Berlin, Oct. 5.—(By wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—An official report of the German army headquarters that in the siege of Antwerp forts of Lierre, Waelheim and Koningshoeyck and the intermediate redoubts with 30 guns, have been taken.

"Thus a breach has been made in the outer circuit of forts," the report adds, "rendering an attack on the inner circle of forts and the town itself possible."

"British ships have arrived at Lis-

bon and are probably destined to transport Portuguese troops. Portugal's co-operation in the war is imminent; the mobilization of the Portuguese forces, it is believed having been ordered on the demand of the British government.

"England is sowing mines in several parts of the North sea and a warning to this effect has been given to neutral shipping."

"The Roumanian crown prince has been strongly rebuked for his Russo-

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Mammoth Aeroplane America Will Be Used in War



Lieutenant Porte and his aeroplane America.

The mammoth aeroplane America, with which Lieutenant John C. Porte had expected to fly across the Atlantic, is now on its way to England, and will be used by the British government for war service. As Lieut. Porte was formerly an officer in the British army, and as he is better acquainted with the machine than any other living person, it is likely that he will be the machine's pilot during the war.

Plan to Raise \$150,000,000 Cotton Loan Fund Is Adopted

Allies Thought Germans Had Exhausted Themselves

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

On the Battle Front, via Paris, October 5.—The allies, after having permitted the Germans, as they thought, to exhaust themselves by their continued attacks, today took a vigorous offensive. The British and French encountered such a strong resistance, however, that their most advanced detachments on the western wing, were compelled to fall back. Only at this part of the long battle line did the opposing troops actually come into close contact today.

Twelve Miners Lose Lives In an Alabama Mine

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 4.—Twelve are known to be dead and twelve injured as a result of a local gas explosion in Eighth entry, right, of the Mulga mine of the Woodward Iron Company, eighteen miles northwest of the mine. Only one body has been brought to the surface but eleven more have been found by rescuers. Three of the dead have been identified.

SIMON CECHOWICZ COMMITS SUICIDE

Chicago, Oct. 5.—Simon J. Cecchowicz, former secretary of the Polish national alliance, and under indictment for the alleged embezzlement of \$7,000 funds of the organization, committed suicide by asphyxiation here today.

POSTOFFICE MAY USE DIFFERENT TWINE SOON

Washington, Oct. 5.—Whether the postoffice department shall change its long established custom of using jute twine for cotton cord is to be determined by a committee of postal experts as the result of an inquiry into the subject. In announcing this today Postmaster General Burleson expressed the belief that owing to the prevailing high price of jute and the demand for this year's cotton crop curtailed because of the European war, every effort should be made by the government to use cotton products whenever price conditions permit.

Will Expedite Passage of the War Revenue Bill

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL. Washington, Oct. 4.—Caucus action to expedite the passage of the war revenue bill through the senate was practically agreed upon today by Democratic leaders after the Democrats of the finance committee had completed their revision of the measures as it passed the house.

Perfecting the stamp tax features the committee determined to eliminate the proposed tax on casualty insurance life insurance taxes having been stricken from the bill Saturday.

WILL GET TOGETHER TO REDUCE COTTON ACREAGE

Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 5.—Gov. George W. Hays today communicated with governors of the cotton growing states requesting them to set a date to meet with him in Memphis for the purpose of discussing a bill enforcing reduced cotton acreage in 1915 and to fix a date for special sessions of the several legislatures to act on the bill.

Plan Now Only Awaits Approval of Secretary McAdoo and Federal Reserve Board—Will Advance Six Cents Per Pound on Cotton.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. St. Louis, Oct. 4.—A plan to raise a one hundred and fifty million dollar cotton loan fund, proposed by the conference of St. Louis bankers, was ratified today by a delegation of bankers from the cotton states. The plan now only awaits the approval of Secretary McAdoo and the federal reserve board before going into effect. The plan provides for raising the fund by subscriptions from National and State banks, Trust Companies and Mercantile and Manufacturing Companies throughout the country. The movement is not for the purchase of cotton, but to make the fund available to loan on cotton at not to exceed six cents per pound middling basis.

BIG MOKE'S BOND WAS FORFEITED

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Chicago, Oct. 5.—The \$55,000 bail bonds of Jack Johnson, the prize fighter, were forfeited today in the United States district court, but the government is said to have a poor chance of collecting. The bonds were provided by the late Matthew Baldwin, whose estate is insolvent, and Johnson's mother, also said to be unable to pay.

BERNSTORFF AND MR. BRYAN FORER

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Washington, Oct. 5.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, called at the state department today and conferred with Secretary Bryan for half an hour. When he left, the ambassador carried copies of the new peace treaties between the United States and Great Britain, France, Russia, China and nearly a score of other countries. Such a treaty was proposed to Germany some time ago. The ambassador declined to discuss his call. He returned recently from New York and had not seen Secretary Bryan for several weeks.

FUNERAL LATE NAVAL OFFICER AT ARLINGTON

Washington, Oct. 5.—Rear Admiral Thomas R. Stevens, U. S. N., retired, who died here Saturday night of Bright's disease, will be buried in Arlington national cemetery tomorrow with military honors. Admiral Stevens was a grandson of Commander Thomas H. Stevens, who served with Commodore Perry in the battle of Lake Erie.

DOWNING PURCHASES FIRST NATIONAL BUILDING; NEW TRUST COMPANY IS REPORT

EXISTENCE OF DEATH DEALING CLAN ALLEGED

Modern Version of What is Said to Be a Present-Day Kuklux Organization Told, Following the Death of a Member.

In its issue of last week, the Opp. Ala. Messenger printed the following: "The existence of what is said to be a modern version of the famous Kuklux Klan was disclosed at Bonifay, Fla., at a coroner's inquest into the death of J. C. Walden, found dead Tuesday, four miles south of Black, in Holmes county, Fla. As a result of the investigation the coroner ordered Tom Meyers, Alonzo Grubbs, Harry Holland, Wiley Holland and Harvey Berry held without bail on the charge of murder. It is reported that about eighteen men are involved in the affair.

According to reports, it is alleged Walden was a member of the organization and had been reported as about to 'equal' on the actions of the kuklux in several cases. It is alleged that a conference of the clan was held and that Walden was elected to die, the five men being selected to waylay him. It is said that each of them was heard to talk openly that Walden would die. Other arrests are expected."

No Extra Session Of Congress Is Contemplated

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Washington, Oct. 5.—Outlining the legislative program for the remainder of the session of congress, President Wilson told callers today that no extra session in November was contemplated. The president said the war tax bill, the Clayton anti-trust bill and the Alaska coal leasing could complete the important work for the present session and that when these bills were disposed of, he saw no reason why an adjournment should not be taken. October 15 is the date tentatively agreed upon.

Asked about threats by Representative Henry of Texas, to fight against an adjournment until cotton relief measures were passed, the president said that the membership of the house, rather than Mr. Henry, would decide when to adjourn. For the next session the program as outlined by the president will include the Alexander ship purchase bill, the Philippine bill, the general leasing bill, the general land bill, the general dam bill and the usual appropriation bills. Regarding the presidential primary bill, which he favors, the president said today that he had held several conferences on the subject and had found there would be great complexity in framing the details in order not to conflict with state election laws. He declared it would be difficult to complete the legislation at this congress but that he was still at work on the subject.

The president said he did not think it necessary to act on the safety at sea convention during the present session. The Reburn securities issue bill also probably will go over until the next session.

CANAL WIRELESS TOWER COMPLETED

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Washington, Oct. 5.—At a cost of a quarter of a million dollars the navy department has just completed at Darien, on the Isthmus of Panama, the second station of a chain of wireless towers, expected to maintain communication between the great Arlington station, and Central America, Hawaii, Samoa, Guam and the Philippines. This new tower is composed of three 600-foot structures forming a triangle or a 900-foot base. The other links of the chain will rapidly be completed as soon as the necessary fortification can be constructed to defend them against attack.

Brewton Man Pays \$78,625 for Handsome Structure on Palafox Street.

DECLINES TO TALK ON SUBJECT OF BANK

Will Not Affirm or Deny That It is Intention of Brewton Capitalists to Start \$300,000 Trust Company Early in the Year.

W. W. Downing and associates of Brewton yesterday acquired the First National bank building, bidding it in at \$78,625. The only other bidder was the National Bank of Commerce and the bidding was spirited until the above price was offered. That Mr. Downing and associates, all wealthy men of Brewton, intend using the building as the home for a \$300,000 trust company, which they will organize, was the general understanding in the city during the afternoon. Mr. Downing over the phone last night declined to deny or affirm that he and his associates intended starting a new bank in Pensacola. He refused to make a statement either way, but the fact that he refused to deny the report is taken as evidence that a new bank will be launched here.

LEASED UNTIL JAN. 1. The National Bank of Commerce holds a lease on the building until Jan. 1. This was secured from the receiver and the sale was subject to this lease, therefore if the Brewton men intend opening a new financial institution in Pensacola it will not be until after that date.

The price paid yesterday was about \$11,000 more than offered at private sale several months ago, when the building was offered for sale. Receiver W. H. Milton, who conducted the sale yesterday, refused to consider any bid lower than \$67,000, formerly offered. A. F. Warren represented the National Bank of Commerce in the bidding and W. W. Flournoy, of DeFuniak, representing Mr. Downing and his associates. When the latter offered \$78,625 for the building, Mr. Warren refused to bid further and the building and all fixtures went to the Brewton men.

John B. Leigh, an attorney of Brewton, was in the city and present at the sale as representing Mr. Downing and associates.

Believed Heavy Loss of Life From Late Earthquake

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Smyrna, Asiatic Turkey, Oct. 4.—(Via London, Oct. 5.)—The towns of Iabarta (population about 25,000) and Burdur (population about 12,000) in the province of Konia were severely damaged by an earthquake last night at midnight. The loss of life was very heavy. These two towns are centers of the carpet industry.

A dispatch from Port de France, Island of Martinique, received in New York last Saturday said that shortly after 1 o'clock that day a severe earthquake shock was felt at Port de France. The direction was from north to south. No damage was done locally.

GERMANS SURPRISE JAPS IN NIGHT TIME

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Tokyo, Oct. 5.—It is officially announced that the German infantry at Tsing Tau delivered a surprise night attack against the Japanese but were repulsed. The Germans had forty-eight killed and the Japanese five killed and eight wounded.

The cannonading on land and sea in the vicinity of Tsing Tau continues. Four Japanese shells hit the German gunboat Itis, which retired to the inner harbor after the exchange of shots.

TWO FEET OF SNOW THUS EARLY IN YEAR

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. MacLeod, Alberta, Oct. 5.—The heaviest snow storm ever experienced in this district at this time of the year was in progress today. More than two feet of snow had fallen this afternoon.